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Roger A. Clark Dies; Led News Review to Supreme Court Victory

by Dorothy Sucher

Roger A. Clark, 64, who served as lead attorney during a precedent-setting Greenbelt News Review libel case from 1966 to 1970, died of cancer on April 12. A partner in the Washington law firm of Rogers & Wells, Clark was also the lawyer for the Washington Post in the Pentagon Papers case in 1971. He worked as a lawyer in Washington for almost 40 years.

Clark was still a young lawyer in 1966 when the News Review was sued for \$2,000,000 by developer and politician Charles A. Bresler, an associate of Vice President-to-be, then Governor of Maryland, Spiro Agnew. Bresler claimed the paper had libeled him by reporting a city council meeting in which he was accused of "a slight case of blackmail." The developer had threatened to delay condemnation proceedings for a tract of land for a new school, unless the council supported his bid to increase the zoning density on another tract he was planning to develop. Also named in the lawsuit was Alfred Skolnik, the president of the News Review's board of directors.

David and Goliath

The suit came as a tremendous blow to the News Review, a volunteer-run cooperative that had never had more than a few thousand dollars in the bank. Many suspected the real purpose of the case was to close the paper down - or at least to shut it up. Bresler was a millionaire who would be taking the case, and

could hire others to do the enormous amount of work associated with a court case, while the labor of preparing a defense fell on the paper's volunteer staff, especially Al Skolnik and his wife, Elaine, then a reporter.

Before long, friends of the News Review approached the



Roger A. Clark -photo by J. Henson, 1987

Washington Post and asked for assistance. The Post responded favorably, acknowledging that the principles involved were significant to all papers, large and

As Elaine Skolnik recalled it, "Al got a call from Bill Rogers -he later became Secretary of State. He called to say his law firm, which represented the Post,

Roger Clark would be handling

With the Post behind the paper, the Greenbelt community rallying around, and Roger Clark in charge of the defense (in conjunction with Maryland lawyer, the late David Reich), the long process began of defending the case, which would drag on for

"It was pro bono," said Elaine Skolnik. "But Roger was totally immersed in the case. Frankly, I think he worked too hard. He was an avid researcher. He wanted absolutely everything. I had a crew of Greenbelters who would go to Upper Marlboro or the Library of Congress. He was so dedicated to this case that he spent weekends on it - to him it was a cause. We worked together almost every weekend for half a year or more, preparing for the first court case almost around the clock. Our volunteers did all the proofing. We edited and printed the briefs."

Judgment Against Paper

However, despite the meticulous preparation, a local jury found the News Review guilty and in 1968 ordered it to pay a \$17,500 libel judgment. The paper appealed, and a Freedom of the Press Committee, chaired by Al Herling and the late Charles Schwan, set to work to raise the money, which was put in escrow.

But to the shock of the community, when the case came be-See CLARK, page 12

From a Grateful People to Roger A. Clark

When a man defends the freedom of any one person or any one group he defends the freedom of all.

Such a man is Roger A. Clark.

When the right of the people of Greenbelt to freely read what was freely written in their newspaper was threatened, Roger Clark came to the defense of the Greenbelt News Review and the people of Greenbelt.

In coming to the defense of a free press in Greenbelt, he came to the defense of a free press for all Americans.

Roger Clark gave fully of himself, of his extraordinary ability and talents and, above all, demonstrated his devotion and commitment to the freedoms we hold so dear.

The people of Greenbelt express their deep admiration, their lasting debt, and their unbounded gratitude to

ROGER A. CLARK

Greenbelt Freedom of the Press Committee Co-chairmen Albert K. Herling Charles F. Schwan, Jr.,

(Editor's Note: This statement was part of a tribute to Roger A. Clark on April 29, 1972).

City Reaches Settlement On Its M-NCPPC Lawsuit

by Elaine Skolnik and James Giese

A settlement agreement has been reached between the city, the owners of Capital Office Park, and the Prince George's County Planning Board of the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission (M-NCPPC) over the city's suit against the planning board for granting approval to a preliminary plan for further development at the office park without road improvements being constructed at the same time. The city had lost that suit in the Circuit Court but had appealed the decision to the Maryland Court of Special Appeals where the matter was pending. "The dismissal has been granted," City Solicitor Robert A. Manzi informed the Greenbelt City Council on March 3, reflecting the pleasure of the city that a settlement agreement had been reached.

Background

In October 1994, the county planning board (the Prince George's half of the bi-county M-NCPPC) approved the preliminary plan for Parcels J-L and Outlot A at Capital Office Park on Cherrywood Lane west of MD 201 (Kenilworth Ave./Edmonston Rd.) The 40.28 acre property, much of which is wetlands and cannot be developed, is located on the northwest side of Cherrywood Lane between the Beltway and Kenilworth Ave. The three useable parcels, ranging from 3.43 to 6.63 acres in size, could be developed with another 556,000 square feet of office

The major condition that triggered the city council to seek legal action was the planning board's requirement that the owners provide a \$933,000 fee in lieu of needed roadway construction in order for area roads to be capable of handling the increased traffic volume generated from the office buildings. It had been found that the intersections of MD 201 with Cherrywood Ln., Ivy Ln., Crescent Rd. and the exit ramps from the Beltway would fall below acceptable levels for handling traffic, as would the intersections of Greenbelt Rd. with Cherrywood and Ivy with Cherrywood.

The payment of the fee was to be in three installments to be paid in advance of office building construction, with one-third to be paid for up to 200,000 square feet of building construction and the other thirds for each of the next 200,000 square feet of construction. The fee payments were to be adjusted based on an inflation index for highway construc-

Lawsuit

The city challenged the planning board's decision to accept the \$933,000 cash fee instead of requiring highway improvements to be undertaken at the time of additional development at the office park. The city feared that the improvements would not be done quickly. Judge Darlene S. Perry of the Circuit Court ruled against the city on October 17, 1995, finding no error of law and the decision of the planning board to be fairly debatable. Defendants in the suit included the planning board and Capital Office Park's owners, Albert Small, Theodore Lerner and Harold Kramer.

With no immediate plans announced to begin construction of the additional buildings at Capital Office Park, it appears that the Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA) could have many of the road construction projects underway before they are needed for the office park development. These improvements were outlined to the council at the March 3 meeting by District Highway Engineer Charlie K. Watkins and relate to improvements along MD 201 (see concept map).

Final design plans are about 10% complete. The city council See SETTLEMENT, page 12

More Police or No Tax Hike? That is the Question for Council

by Diane Oberg

The proposed \$4.9 million for the remaining 3%. public safety budget was reviewed by the Greenbelt City Council at an April 9 worksession. This budget, which accounts for 36.5% of all expenditures in City Manager Michael McLaughlin's proposed budget for fiscal year 1998 (FY 98), covers the police department, traffic control (road striping and traffic signs), animal control, and the city's voluntary allocation of one cent of property tax revenue to purchases.

Police

The budget proposed spending \$4.73 million for the city's police department. Accounting for 96.2% of the public safety budget, this represents a 2.8% increase over the current year's budget. Salaries and benefits account for most (81%) of these expenditures. Operating expenses, such as insurance, training, uniforms, vehicle upkeep and fuel, and police station maintenance and utilities, accounts for 16% of expenditures, while purchases of capital equipment

(seven new police cars) accounts

Staffing

The budget keeps staffing steady at 48 officers and 15 support personnel (dispatchers, records assistants, automation analyst and secretary). However, several of the "unmet needs" identified in the budget document relate to additional personnel desired by the department, but not funded in McLaughlin's budget.

Both McLaughlin and Police Chief James Craze commented on the fire department for equipment one of these needs — a police cadet. McLaughlin told council it was the last thing he cut to make the budget balance. Craze said that this position was his highest priority "unmet need." A cadet would provide valuable assistance in the administrative side of the department. In addition, past cadets had also been used for park patrol duties during the

This comment struck a chord with Councilmember Rodney Roberts. In the longer term, Roberts noted, he would like to see a full-time city park ranger to work at both Buddy Attick Park and

Schrom Hills Park. While recognizing that his vision is different from the proposed police cadet's responsibilities, he suggested that See POLICE, page 11

What Goes On

Sat., April 19, 8:30 a.m. noon. Greenbelt Earth Day Buddy Attick Park

Tues., April 22, 7 p.m. Advisory Committee on Education, Municipal Building

Wed., April 23, 8 p.m. Council Budget Worksession on Recreation, Community

Thur., April 24, 7:30 p.m., GHI Board Meeting, Hamilton Pl.

Thurs., April 24, 8 p.m. Council Worksession on Refuse and Recycling Changes, Municipal Building Friday, April 25, 10 a.m.

"It's Municipal Government" School Contest Finals, Community Center

Sun., April 27, noon Little League Parade. Starts at Aquatic Center

GREENBELT NEWS REVIEW

Roger A. Clark

Lately, media-bashing seems to be in vogue. As for lawyer-bashing, it is always in season.

This week, though, Greenbelters should pause to reflect on the vital role played by a free press in all our lives, as well as the essential part played by the lawyers who defend the freedoms we take for granted. For on April 12, at the age of 64, Roger A. Clark died. He was the News Review's chief attorney from 1966 to 1970, when the paper was facing a two million dollar libel suit. As the case dragged on, Clark was our stalwart, principled defender until our ultimate vindication in the United States Supreme Court.

In this town, the News Review is the modest, imperfect, but none-theless essential embodiment of the First Amendment. Despite our shortcomings, we are a vital part of the soul of Greenbelt—and anyone who doubts it should try to imagine the town without it. How would anyone find out what's going on?

Clark believed that the First Amendment applied even to a small, weekly newspaper staffed by volunteers. He believed the News Review had a constitutional right to report the news of the community fully and fairly.

Clark, working pro bono, sacrificed his weekends and evenings working on our case. He did so because he was truly a dedicated lawyer who believed in the Constitution of the United States.

The News Review and the citizens of Greenbelt owe him a debt we can never repay. We mourn his too-early death, and extend our deepest sympathies to his wife, Kate, and his children.



Roger and Kate Clark at the News Review's 50th Anniversary Dinner in 1987.

-photo by J. Henson, 1987

Recreation

An error was made in re-

porting the lucky winners of

the "Golden Eggs" at

Department's Egg Hunt.

The winner in the 4 year -

Kindergarten hunt area was Billy Hall. Congratulations

to Billy on a lucky find and

Correction

Greenbelt

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Public Works Dept. To Hold Open House

If you've always had a yen to know how a bucket truck works or how street painting happens, has Greenbelt got an event for you!

The city will be celebrating Municipal Government Week with a Public Works open house on Wednesday, April 23, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The open house will feature many demonstrations to help make citizens aware of all it takes to maintain the city. A bucket truck, sign painting, a greenhouse, recycling, and street painting facilities will be featured, and much more!

Light refreshments will be provided. Groups (including students) are welcome, but are asked to call ahead: 301-474-8004.

Also, don't miss the city's new dump truck with salt spreader and snow plow, on display at the city offices throughout the week.

The Greenbelt Public Works facility, where the open house will take place, is located at 555 Crescent Road.

Reach to Recovery Needs Volunteers

The American Cancer Society is seeking volunteers who have had breast cancer to visit newly-diagnosed patients to provide them with information and support. For more information, please call -301-933-9350.

Letters to the Editor

Celebrating Life

I am happily awaiting another birthday at the end of this month. I didn't use to feel this way about birthdays; that is, until I had a liver transplant almost four years ago. Now I have a different attitude about the prospect of "aging." Since I have been granted a second chance for life, welcome each birthday as a milestone and consider myself fortunate to have "aged" another year. Each day since my surgery has been a gift and will continue to be. Although my lifestyle has changed greatly, I have many blessings for which I am thankful, not the least of which is the opportunity to celebrate a birthday each April.

I enjoy living in a small town in my old-fashioned garden apartment, which I share with a companionable cat. I have close family and friends in the area, plus a wonderful significant other. I have also obtained an enjoyable part-time job which is commensurate with my physical capabilities. It has been a long process of healing and rebuilding, and I have many blessings to show for it.

Not a day goes by that I do not realize that none of this would have been possible without the generosity of the individual who donated her liver so that I might have the chance to survive and live a new life. I have been blessed with the unique gift of life and there are no words, written or spoken, to express the depth of my gratitude to this anonymous donor. I am passing this along to you readers with the hope that you will consider becoming organ donors. The decision to do so would enable many transplant patients awaiting surgery to have a chance to renew their lives as I have. Please share the gift of life by becoming an organ and tissue donor.



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GOVERNMENT

WORKS!

apologies for our mistake! - Greenbelt Recreation Dept.

City Trash In Perspective

A headline in the April 3 issue of the Greenbelt News Review reads "Reduced Trash Pick-ups Sought...". The article on the current budget in the April 10 issue states "...it is likely that one of the smaller departments, Public Works, will be the focus of greater than usual attention this year, as McLaughlin proposes to reduce trash collection from twice per week to once with no change in fees."

I wonder how many people are aware of the fact that only a little over 24% of all Greenbelt households use the services of the city for their trash removal? Of these households slightly more than two-thirds belong to Greenbelt Homes, Inc. In all cases the homeowners pay the costs. These have been increasing, mainly due to sharply reduced county rebates.

All other households in Greenbelt are serviced by private contractors: either by choice or because dumpster service is required (mostly apartments), which the city does not provide.

Leonie Penney

Room to Cope

Taken hostage in your own home. Silenced by an automatic weapon pointed at you or your loved ones. Voicing your pain and confusion to reporters because what you need most in the aftermath is order — just a little order. Silenced yet again by an outpouring of support for police conduct which patronizingly labels your pain, "Stockholm Syndrome" and suggests you get a new dog.

A police department and community that truly cared for these hostages would have the compassion to turn the other cheek instead of so quickly rushing to defend conduct as if the hostages had somehow victimized the police

In her poem about the 1974 abduction of Patty Hearst called "Captivity," Pulitzer-prize winning poet Lisel Mueller writes:

"We could not forgive Patricia

for becoming Pattania, We wanted kitsch,

The easy split into black and white ...
We could not cope with the

huge .

complexities of the heart, that melting pot of selves."

Certainly all of us in this community owe these hostages some room to cope with the huge complexities of their hearts. Let's give it to them.

S. J. Anderson

Thanks Police

I would like for everyone who has taken the police for granted or have been upset with the police for doing their job to stop and think of one thing: What would Greenbelt be without them? Who would enforce the laws? Who has the months and years of training to do their jobs?

The police are there for us in the heat, cold, rain and snow, every day and night of the year. They are here to help us, not to be hated and belittled by us.

It is easy to forget that the men and women of the police force have family and friends just like you and me. But unlike some of you, they care enough to try to change things for the better, even at the cost of their own lives. Yes, you can say, "That's their job." But our job is to back them up and to help in any way we can. After all, it is our city, our way of life and our loved ones that the police are protecting.

I think that it is time we say "Thank you" to our Greenbelt police officers for doing such a good job.

The Allen family David, Maureen & James

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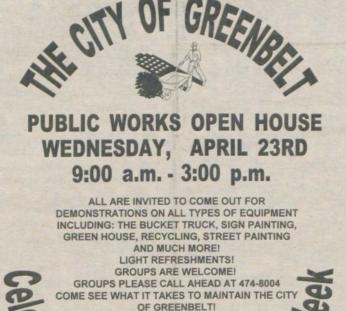
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Also make sure to see the City's new dump

truck with a salt spreader and snow plow on

display at the City Offices throughout the week

At the Library

GREENBELT.COM meeting will be held Wednesday, April 23, at 7 p.m. It will include free Internet classes, demonstrations and discussions provided by Greenbelt Internet Access Coop-

P.J. Storytime will also be held on Wednesday, April 23, at 7 p.m. for children ages 4 - 6.

On Thursday, April 24, at 10:15 a.m. the library presents Drop-In Storytime for children ages 3 - 5.

That is followed by Tickle Toddle Storytime at 11:15 a.m. for 2 year olds accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

Storytellers, Then Singer at New Deal

by Geff King, Music Coordinator

Visitors to the New Deal Cafe may expect a treat this weekend. Kicking off the fun at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, April 18 are the Goddard Storytellers, with a family show about kids of all kinds for kids of all ages. According to Jim Lochner, head of the Storytellers, "Brave children, foolish children, ordinary children, extraordinary children and children too clever for their own good will be featured in a variety of folktales, true tales and tales out of the head in this fourth appearance by the Goddard Storytellers at the New

Suzanne Michele, who plays a unique, captivating style rooted in contemporary folk, rock and blues, will come to the New Deal Cafe on Saturday, April 19. Nominated by the Washington Area Music Association as "Best New Artist" in 1996, she will bring plenty of good, tuneful songs and powerful music. In addition, GREENBELT.COM, Greenbelt's own Internet services co-operative, will hold their first anniversary party at the Cafe. All are welcome to stop by to surf the Net and say hello to these local cyber-heads.

The New Deal Cafe is located in the Greenbelt Community Center at 15 Crescent Road, and at http://www.greenbelt.com/newdeal-cafe on the Internet. Stop by and see us!

Community Events

Sound Scene

Musical Evening At the Arts Center

by Nick Mydra

Show tunes, show tunes, and more show tunes were on the agenda last Saturday night. The occasion was the Greenbelt Arts Center's presentation of "You and the Night and the Music," a collection of musical numbers ranging from such shows as "Carousel" and the 1958 "Gypsy" to a more modern "City of Angels." Directed by Ron Wilder, with Mac Fancher as musical director, the ensemble of seven men and women performed 29 numbers in a two-hour presentation that included one intermission.

The cast members were: Lois and John Cleland, Nina Desmond, Erica Drezek, Liz Hester, Richard Richardson, and Linda Smith. Mac Fancher also provided the music by playing an upright piano.

All the musical numbers were done without the aid of a sound system, so the balance between voices and piano was not always ideal. Still, I doff my hat to Mac for serving so well as the instrumental part of the show, although at times he could have used a page turner.

Richard Richardson and Linda Smith were standouts. Both have voices that are rich in quality and

Basketball Shoot-Out Set at Sports Zone

Hoopsters who want to participate in a basketball shoot-out can sign up at Sports Zone at the Beltway Plaza anytime up to one hour prior to the 2 p.m. event on Sunday, April 20. There are three age categories and three winners in each. The first place in each category is a pair of sneakers. Everyone who enters will receive a free gift.

able to project to the back of a hall. Songs like Make Believe from "Showboat" were just perfect as love duos.

At times some of the other voices were hard to hear because they lacked the fullness and oomph to carry above the piano.

Some of the numbers performed were: Consider Yourself, from "Oliver"; Fine Romance, from "Swing Time"; I Remember It Well, from "Gigi"; and Who Are You Now? from "Funny Girl." Edwin Drood opened and then ended the evening. "Don't Quit While You're Ahead" was the finale.

What do I think? I'd like to see the Greenbelt Arts Center offer more productions like this, and I think if more of us gave these shows a chance, we would

Hubbard Addresses Gray Panthers

James Hubbard, Delegate to the Maryland General Assembly from District 23, will be the featured speaker when the Greenbelt Gray Panthers meet on Saturday, April 19 at the Greenbelt Police Station. The business meeting will begin promptly at 1:30 p.m.

Hubbard will report on the legislative session that has just ended in Annapolis, which bills were passed, which bills failed to pass, and which bills did not make it out of committee. A brief question and answer period will follow.

The public is invited. Attend the meeting and learn about the Gray Panthers, an age, race, and gender neutral advocacy organization. For rides or information call 301-474-

New Deal Cafe

6-11 pm



Music 8:30 pm No cover

FRIDAY 18th: Goddard Storytellers (Family show from 7:30 - 9) Jeff Felsher (jazz guitar 9 - 10:30) SATURDAY 19th: Suzanne Michele (Powerful, dynamic, focused folk music) **Donations for Musicians Encouraged!**

\$5.00 volunteers Greenbelt Community Center

New Deal T-Shirt Special \$7.00 patrons

474-5642

Explore Social Security Benefits

On Friday, April 25, Joy Tyler of the local Social Security office will be presenting at Explorations Unlimited.

Tyler will discuss the benefits covered by social security and retirement reporting responsibilities. A video presentation will be shown. This would be a good opportunity to ask questions of a person who has worked 24 years for the agency.

Explorations Unlimited is a speaker series held every Friday from 1 - 3 p.m. at the Community Center. This presentation will be held in the Senior Classroom. Everyone is welcome to attend and questions are always encouraged. Please call 301-397-2208 for more information.

OLD GREENBELT **OLD GREENBELT** THEATRE



Love Duet: Richard Richardson joins Linda Smith in song in the Greenbelt Arts Center's current review, "You and the Night and the Music."



The City of Greenbelt celebrates: Municipal Government Week April 21-25, 1997



A special "Municipal Government Works" flag will be flying outside the Greenbelt city office to commemorate Maryland Municipal League's 4th Annual Municipal Government Week. Other activities will include:

A proclamation by the City Council recognizing Municipal Government Week in



An Open House at the City of Greenbelt's Public Works Facility on Wednesday, April 23rd from 9:00 a.m.-3 p.m. All are invited to come out for demonstrations on all types of equipment including: the bucket truck, sign painting machine, green house, recycling, street painting machines and much more. Light refreshments! Groups please call ahead



"It's Municipal Government" Final Round at Greenbelt Community Center on Friday, April 25% at 10 a.m. Sixth grade students from Greenbelt, Magnolia and Springhill Lake Elementary Schools have been participating in this quiz program all month and learning about Municipal Government. Now you can learn more about Municipal Government from these students as they compete in the final round of "It's Municipal Government." All rounds of this competition will be shown on Channel B-10 during the week of May 5th

The City of Greenbelt is proud of its Municipal Government system and how well it works through the cooperation of its citizens. Thank you!



Greenbelt Municipal Access TV Channel B-10 Schedule

Tuesday and Thursday, April 22 & 24

6:00 p.m. Greenbelt Elementary Presents: "Annie"

8:00 p.m. Replay of Citizens for Greenbelt Meeting of Thursday, April 17, 1997



ATTENTION: GHI MEMBERS

Thinking about running for office? Remember these dates.

April 30, 7:30pm Information Night, GHI Board Room

May 2, Last day to submit consent forms and biographies to be printed in News Review

May 8, Last day to submit consent forms to appear on the official ballot

May 10, 2p.m. Candidates Social, GHI Hamilton Place

May 15, 7:30p.m. GHI Annual Meeting. Community Center.

May 16, 7am-8pm Voting, Community Center

News from the Other Side of the Earth

by Beth and John Norden

(Greenbelter Beth Norden is in Sri Lanka as a Fulbright scholar doing research on insects. Her son John, age 12, is with her.)

Local elections were held across the country yesterday and we are currently under curfew to prevent violence. The political process in Sri Lanka can be explosive. The assassination of a 29 year old candidate in the city of Ratnapura last month helped fuel tensions throughout the country. Sadly, it also prevented access to one of our most important jungle study sites.

Despite the setback, our insect research is progressing well and collaboration with educators at the University of Peradeniya is a wonderful experience. The students are eager learners, and sincerely struggle to reach their educational goals. Like politics, education in Sri Lanka is not an easy

John's life is a constant social studies lesson and he thrives on it. He is learning to speak Sinhala and wears a sarong (traditional male attire) when at

Shortages

Our house rests on a mountainside overlooking Sri Lanka's longest river, the Mahaweli. Unfortunately, severe drought has drastically reduced its volume. Without rain, we will soon be without water and electricity (all hydroelectric power). Already the shops have been depleted of candles, so John has fashioned mini-torches for us out of coconut shell bowls.

Greenbelt Seems Far

As we look at the icy photo on the front page of the Feb. 12 News Review (yes, we were sent a copy in Sri Lanka), Greenbelt seems so far away. The heat in this tropical rainforest is intense. and when we show the snowy photo to Sri Lankans, they can't comprehend what substance they are seeing. They have never experienced anything even close to the alien frozen stuff!

From land leeches to our resident mongoose, we too, sometimes are dumbfounded by our new environment. Yesterday

Baha'i Faith

"Strive thou with heart and soul; see to it that the children are raised up to embody the highest perfection of humankind, to such a degree that every one of them will be trained in the use of the mind, in acquiring knowledge, in humility, and lowliness, in dignity, in ardor and

-Baha'i Sacred Writings

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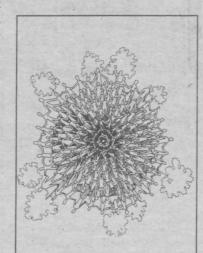
Sundays 9 am Folk Service 10 am Sunday School 11 am Sung Service

Lanham-Severn & Glenn Dale Rds. Just South of MD 193, Glenn Dale 262-3285

morning, I was awakened by a gecko (small lizard) dropping from the ceiling onto my fore-Without thinking, I reached for my alarm clock as if it had rung, and switched it off! Yes, this is not Greenbelt.

Yet, as different as the plants, animals, food, dress, language, and religion might be, people are remarkably the same. Only the outward appearances and topies of conversation may differ from those of the West. In some ways, Greenbelt feels very near.

Hope all is well, and best regards to all our friends in Greenbelt.



People make up the world. If we change ourselves we change the world.

Drawing and quote given Beth Norden by a Buddhist colleague at the University of Peradeniya. Sri Lanka.

Volunteers Needed

The American Cancer Society needs volunteer visitors for the CanSurmount program. People who have had cancer and want to help others cope with the cancer experience, please call 301-933-

Greenbelt CARES

The Systems Reform Initiative/Department of Juvenile Justice/Domestic Violence Task Force Integration Workgroup on which Carol Leventhal serves, met again this past Tuesday. The group's mission is to synthesize the work of three previous Task Forces and to provide solutions to any discrepancies within the recommendations. On paper, the recommendations are family friendly and prevention oriented. Problems have risen from the implementation of Systems Reform initiatives. It is these problems which this workgroup, and five others, were created to help resolve.

John Boren, Ph.D., visited the CARES Family Clinic this past Wednesday and gave a brief presentation on Rational Recovery. Rational Recovery (RR) is a self-help program for people who want to end dependency on alcohol or other drugs. RR is modeled on the principles of rational emotive therapy. Boren is an area organizer for RR.

On Wednesday, Wendy Wexler met with two graduate students from the University of Maryland to assist in their preparation to co-lead a group of adolescents at Eleanor Roosevelt High School. Wexler has consulted with the Special Education Resource teacher at ERHS to identify group facilitators and curriculum content.

Sheryl Orr has joined CARES' Wednesday Night Family Clinic as host of volunteers. Orr holds a Masters of Social Work from Howard University and is currently employed as a therapist by Montgomery County's Department of Health and Human

An average of 30 families participated in regular, scheduled counseling during March. Weekly tutoring sessions were held with 65 people participating in a wide variety of sub-

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A Greenbelt Gardener

by Rosie Rhubarb

This is one of the best times of the year when the tiny green leaves appear on the trees and the spring flowers bloom. Every week it seems as if the show of flowers is different.

The warm days make gardening pleasant. Do not be tempted, however, to plant the summer garden just yet. The soil has not warmed up enough and a killing frost could still occur. Night temperatures are still mostly in the 40's, which is too cold for the heat-loving plants of summer.

There are still garden chores that can be done such as cleanup, planting a spring vegetable garden, transplanting perennials, and soil preparation. If you haven't done it yet, then clean up the debris from last winter. You can have the city pick up yard waste by calling 301-474-8004 to find out how and

Time is running out to plant a spring vegetable garden of lettuce, green leafy vegetables, radish, or peas. These plants want to grow in cool weather and in fact will stop producing once warm weather sets in. So plant soon to take full advantage of the cool spring growing season.

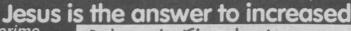
This is one of the best times of year to transplant perennial flowers. Daylily, hosta, and phlox are examples of perennials that come back year after year. Most varieties of perennials form big clumps over time. These can be dug up, divided into smaller plants, and replanted. Each new plant should have a good set of roots and plant shoots. Just ripping off tiny pieces won't give you new plants.

Free Movie

The free movie in the Community Center, usually scheduled on the third Thursday of the month, will be shown on the fourth Thursday of April instead.

On April 24 in the Senior Classroom at 1 p.m., the film 'Dead Poets Society," starring Robin Williams, will be featured.

Williams plays an English teacher who loves poetry and inspires his students, not always in the right direction. The film won an Oscar for best screenplay.



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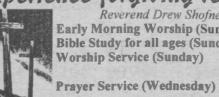
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City and GHI Rally To Repair Damage

by Dorothy Sucher

Greenbelters showed their support in various ways to neighbors whose lives and property were disrupted on March 31, when an armed fugitive took a family hostage in 10 Court of Southway.

"This was a very unusual case," stated Gretchen Overdurff, the general manager of Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI). "The damage wasn't the members' responsibility, or their fault in any way. So we worked together with our insurance carrier and the city to repair the damages. There was quite a list."

GHI immediately made an insurance claim, which covered the broken windows and the internal damage. Fine glass dust from broken windows presented a hazard to residents, and a crew vacuumed this away. As for the damaged window glass, screens, and mini-blinds, these will be replaced.

GHI also repaired and seeded a front lawn and deck damaged by the armed personnel carrier of the Prince George's County Swat team.

During the six-hour hostage standoff and for several hours afterward, a GHI staff member remained on the scene, in case the police action made it necessary for someone to go under the building to cut off electricity or other utilities. This was never required, but he boarded up some of the broken windows after the gunman surrendered.

City Joins In City workers have already repaired and improved a fence flattened by the Swat team vehicle. At the request of the resident, a split-rail fence was installed in place of the cyclone fence there previously.

In addition, Carol Leventhal of Greenbelt CARES will mail a letter to residents of 10 Court come and talk about the incident.

Concern for Police

During the hostage incident, Greenbelt's hard-working police were not forgotten. The weather had been unseasonably warm the week before, and Lieutenant John Lann had already sent off all his winter uniforms and equipment to be cleaned. But the day of the ina few snow flurries, and Lann was on duty outside for many hours. It helped, he said, that people brought him coffee and a hamburger, and others offered to bring him dinner.

Takoma Park Flower Show Open to Public

The Takoma Park Horticultural Club will host the 33rd annual Takoma Park Spring Flower Show on Saturday, April 26, 4-6 p.m. and Sunday, April 27, 1-3 p.m. The show is free and open to entrants from the general public. There will be design classes for novices and youth. Judging will be by accredited judges of the Federation of Garden Clubs.

The show will be held on the second floor of the Takoma Park Municipal Building, Philadelphia and Maple Aves., Takoma Park. Schedules are available by contacting Grace Karnke, 301-589-0785.

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Kids Vie for Prizes On City Government

Sixth graders have been boning up on what it takes to make a city government run, and on April 25 at 10 a.m. at the community center they'll have their chance to show what they've learned, compete for prizes, and do some serious pizza-munch-

Prize-winning Program

The occasion is the city of Greenbelt's third annual "It's Municipal Government" quiz show program. This has proven in the last two years to be an entertaining and educational experience for Greenbelt's students. In addition to a question-and-answer period, the program includes a relay race and a bonus round. The contests are videotaped and played back on the Greenbelt municipal access television channel (B-10). In its first year, the entire program won the Grand Award as an outstanding citizenship project in the national "City Hall Communications Public Information Awards" competition. Municipal Government Week

The week of April 21 has been proclaimed Municipal Government Week by Governor Parris Glendening. Local municipalities will be flying a special flag and holding a variety of special events.

Greenbelt will be sponsoring a Public Works Department open house (see separate story) as well as the "It's Municipal Government" contest.

The contest on April 25, to which everyone is invited, is the final round of a program that has been running all month at Greenbelt, Magnolia, and Springhill Lake elementary schools.

Sixth graders in all three schools were visited by members of the city staff, who discussed why municipal governments exist and how they work. The students were all given information packets and small token prizes for participating in the program.

They were then tested on the information. The students receiving the top five grades on the exam in each class made up the team for that class. The teams in each school competed against each other for city-sponsored prizes and money for their

The winning team from each school will now compete in the final round of "It's Municipal Government," with the opportunity to win additional funds for their class. All participants will receive certificates, Tshirts, and be treated to a pizza party, courtesy of local merchants.

For more information call Beverly Palau, Public Information Coordinator, 301-474-8000.

Three St. Hugh's **Students Win Awards**

by Kevin W. Jenkins

Three eighth grade students at St. Hugh's Catholic School recently received honors and scholarships for their academic achievements.

Beth Mason, daughter of Richard and Deborah Mason of Greenbelt, was recently awarded a partial scholarship of \$1,000 to attend Elizabeth Seton High School in Bladensburg. She has also been offered a partial scholarship of \$500 to attend Bishop McNamara High School in Forestville. Beth earned her awards by carrying an "A" average in school and by performing well on standardized testing. She is a member of Girl Scouts of America, plays Catholic Youth League softball for St. Hugh's and was recently selected to play soccer for Bowie United in the W.A.G.S. League. Beth was one of the participants in the "Hold the Line" program for teens, which educates young people on the dangers of drugs and alcohol. This program was in cooperation with the Archdiocese of Washington, and Montgomery County schools. The Greenbelt police helped local students prepare briefings and speeches.

Michelle Pascaran, daughter of Lorenzo and Conchita Pascaran of Lanham, was recently awarded partial scholarships of \$1,000 to attend Elizabeth Seton High School in Bladensburg, and \$500 to attend Bishop McNamara High School in Forestville. Michelle also carried an "A" average while at St. Hugh's School, and performed very well on standardized testing. Michelle plays Catholic Youth League softball for the Greenbelt school, she is a talented artist, and helped design the cover for the 1996 yearbook at her school. She is also a participant in the "Draw the Line" program and has given speeches and presentations at her school as well as at schools in Montgomery

Sheila Sparks, daughter of Kenneth Sparks and Jeannie Wines of Hyattsville, was recently accepted into the science and technology program at Eleanor Roosevelt High School for the 1997-98 school year. She carried a high academic average in school and performed very well on the entrance exam for the Science and Tech program. Admission to the Science and Tech program is very competitive and Sheila was the only student from St. Hugh's selected this year. Sheila plays Catholic Youth League basketball and softball for St. Hugh's. She has also been involved in the "Legion of Mary" program that the school sponsored so that young people could spend volunteer hours at the Greenbelt Nursing Home assisting the residents.

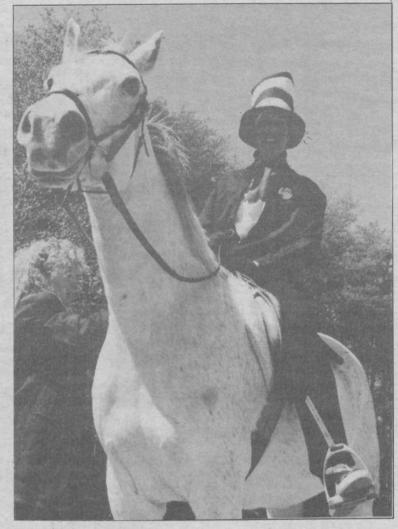
TV Turnoff Week

Schools Superintendent Dr. Jerome Clark is urging all students and parents of the Prince George's County Public School System to join the Maryland State Department of Education in its support of National TV-Turnoff Week, scheduled for April 24

The event is being coordinated by TV-Free America, a non-profit organization established to reduce the amount of television Americans watch in order to promote healthier families and communities. Last year,

more than three million people participated from across the country, with regional turnoffs in approximately 25,000 schools, libraries, and community groups nationwide. Feedback from participants showed that the weeklong recess from television helped to establish conditions allowing for more family interaction, reading, volunteering, exercising, playing of sports, community involvement, thinking, and creating.

For more information, call 301-952-6003.



Lyan Chadderdon, principal of Magnolia Elementary School rides Rhapsody. Assisting is Rhapsody's owner, Tina Marie Jones, of Damascus.

-photo by Thelma Loret de Mola

Capital Kids - Nursery School Fundraiser

The Greenbelt Nursery School & Kindergarten has for a fundraiser the "capital KIDS book," a 350 page book featuring over 440 money saving coupons for families with children. Created and published by moms, the "capital KIDS book" is specially designed for families in the community. In fact, it's really two books in one — it's got a coupon section plus a unique family resource guide.

The stacks of coupons included in the "capital KIDS book" give families savings on places to go, birthday parties, classes and camps, restaurants that welcome kids, children's

clothing, bookstores, toy stores, things for families to do together, and much more. They are all good through Dec. 31, 1997.

In addition, the "capital KIDS book" includes a Family Resource Guide listing information emergency numbers, hotlines, school calendar throughout the area, 24 hour pharmacies, hospitals, museums, libraries, historic sites and more.

Please call 301-474-5570 for information or stop by the school in the Community Center between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. to pick one up. (The Community Center is located at 15 Crescent



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And so it was on April 7 at Magnolia Elementary School. Principal Lynn Chadderdon initiated the read-a-thon. The name of each book read by her students was posted on a paper horseshoe. When the line of horseshoes reached her office, the prize was won. By popular vote, their favorite character was The Cat In The Hat.

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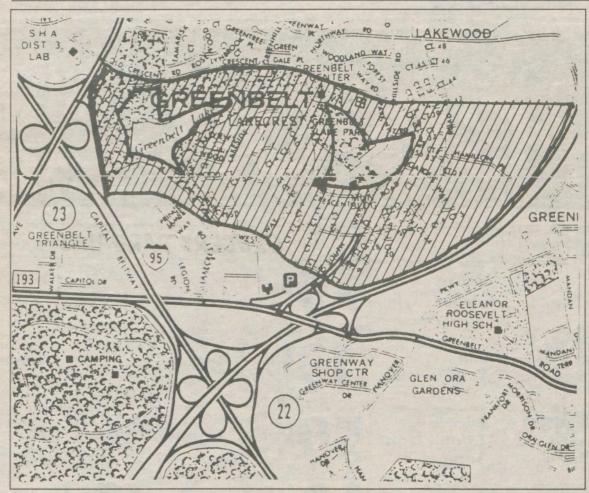
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The State plans to spray the chemical Dimilin over the shaded area to control the infestation of the gypsy moths into city woodlands

Moth Spraying Caused By High Count at Park

by Betsy Likowski

Part of Greenbelt will be sprayed for gypsy moths as a preventive measure because Greenbelt Park has a severe infestation of gypsy moths. The tiny caterpillars can float up to a mile on the wind so Greenbelt could conceivably become infested from so in length. Greenbelt Park.

A portion of the central part of the city (see map), will be sprayed in late April to early spraying. Greenbelt Park numbers May. Dimilin will be used.

The infestation of gypsy moths in Greenbelt is low, but in parts of the park it is very high. The number of gypsy moth egg

masses are counted every year to determine the level of infestation. Gypsy moths lay their eggs in the summer and they hatch the following spring in time to eat young tree leaves. Gypsy moth egg masses look like a patch of mustard colored suede an inch or

In the past the state has used the level of 250 egg masses per acre as a marking point for range from 120 egg masses per acre to 34,560 per acre, according to Sally Hughe of the Maryland Department of Agriculture. Hughe said the state is only spraying in the vicinity of Greenbelt Park in Prince George's County with 398 acres in Greenbelt, 113 acres in Berwyn Heights, 149 acres in New Carrollton, 132 acres in College Park for a total of 792 acres. In Greenbelt Park 860 acres will be sprayed with GYPCHEK by the United States Fish and Wildlife

Spraying by the county will be done during the first week of May, weather permitting. Greenbelt Park will be sprayed twice three to five days apart in late April to early May. Spraying is done by the county in the

Montpelier Mansion Has Herb Festival

On Saturday, April 26, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. the Friends of Montpelier are sponsoring the annual Herb Festival at the Montpelier Mansion, Route 197 and Muirkirk Road in South Laurel.

This annual spring event will feature a variety of vendors who will be selling herbs, beauty essentials, plants, flowers, teas and

The day will also include nature walks that focus on the variety of beautiful trees that surround Montpelier Mansion.

The Herb Festival is free; there is a nominal fee for tours of the mansion. The event will occur rain or shine.

This program is sponsored by The Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission, Department of Parks and Recreation, Prince George's County, which is committed to accommodating individuals with disabilities. Please call the contact number for assistance. For further information or to discuss the criteria for vendors, call 301-953-1376: TTY 301-779-5321; http:// www.smart.net/parksrec/

morning as soon as the pilots have light enough to see. High humidity and low winds are necessary for the spray to be applied correctly. Helium balloons will mark the corners of the spray block. It is state policy not to spray people, according to Hughe. An observation plane and ground crews will be out to help insure this.

Dimilin is not supposed to be harmful to people. It affects caterpillars and crustaceans because it interrupts the insect's growth process. The spray being used in Greenbelt Park, GYPCHEK, is a biological insecticide made from cultures of virus-infected gypsy moth larvae. It poses no health threat to humans, plants or ani-

Golden Age Club

by Dolores Capotosto

The next meeting of the Golden Age Club will be a social on April 23. We will have a singalong with Marge Bergemann playing the piano. Come see how much fun Golden Agers have. All meetings are at 11 a.m. in the multi-purpose room of the Community Center.

The Baltimore Over View trip is on April 24 - with dinner at Hausner's - hope you've made your reservation. Also, the travel committee is taking reservations and deposits for the Ocean City trip, May 19 - 23. Outsiders can come on this trip.

Bill Souser reminds us he is collecting for the June 7 Flea Market (rain date - June 14). This will be by the Credit Union in Roosevelt Center - help is needed.

Our best regards to Phyllis Budin, chairperson of the Golden Ager's Luncheon - she injured her arm in a fall - but she still did a great job. Hope you're on the mend, Phyllis.

Here's hoping, also, the weather warms up for May's beautiful flowers, but the tulips don't seem to mind the chill. Enjoy the Spring!

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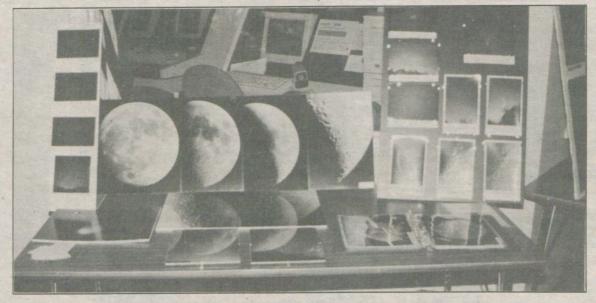
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Astronomy Day exhibit of the photographs by Tom Bridgman. Center: phases of the moon. - photo by Matt Elliott

Astronomy Day Celebrated

The H.B. Owens Science Center hosted local observations of Astronomy Day on Saturday, April 12. Local activities of this nationwide observation were sponsored by the Greenbelt and Goddard Astronomy Clubs.

Turnout was down from last year, but estimates of the number of persons in attendance were still in the range of 100 to 150. The weather may have been a culprit in the lower turnout, as it was uncooperative, with rain and clouds throughout the evening. Nonetheless, those who attended seemed to enjoy the evening.

The evening was filled with presentations about a variety of topics, including: Astronomy on the Internet, Meteors, and What makes the Stars Shine. The Science Center's Planetarium staff presented shows to introduce the night sky. Club members presented displays of astronomical photographs, information about light pollution, demonstrations of computer programs. Additionally, many door prizes were awarded throughout

The Greenbelt Astronomy Club is planning public star parties for each of the next several months. The first star party will be the evening of Saturday, May 10. The club meets at the Owens Science Center at 7:30 p.m. on the last Thursday of each month.

Support Group For Mentally III

The Alliance for the Mentally Ill of Prince George's County, Inc. will hold a support group for sponsors of the mentally ill on Tuesday, April 22, 7 - 9 p.m. at the Prince George's County Health Dept., Room 218, 3003 Hospital Drive, Cheverly (across from P.G. Hospital). For further information call Donna at 301-839-0253, or Jane at 301-577-

Sleep Disorders **Program Offered**

Laurel Regional Hospital is offering a free community program on sleep disorders on Wednesday, April 23, from 7 to 8:30 p.m., in the hospital's J. Russell ones Room.

Dr. Lawrence Whicker, neurologist, will talk abo: all forms of sleep disorders, including insomnia, apnea, snoring and narcolepsy.

To register, call 301-597-8736 or 1-410-792-2413.

Ride Model A Cars On Garden Tour

by Julia Eichhorst

Step back in time Sunday, May 4, during the House and Garden Tour in Historic Greenbelt. The Southern Maryland Model A Club will once again provide free transportation for the tour participants between the various homes and gardens.

The first Model A's were built in December 1927 and production of the car ceased in September 1931 due to the Depression. Approximately 4.3 million were produced. The engines of the Model A's were manufactured in the River Rouge plant in Detroit, Michigan. They were shipped to plants around the world for final assembly.

The most popular selling Model A was the Roadster which was the two seater convertible which sold in 1931 for \$495. Although the Roadster was the biggest seller, it is the least survivable of the Model A's due to its soft top. One of the more expensive models was the Fordor Sedan Deluxe which sold at \$730.

The car captured the heart of all America, from the average working man who caused such crowds at dealers' showrooms that police were required for crowd control, to the Prince George's County Police who made it their official police car in 1931, to the notorious couple of Bonnie and Clyde. Bonnie Parker wrote Henry Ford that the Model A was the favorite of Clyde Barker and that Clyde would always steal a Ford if he had a chance.

The Community Center will be the starting point of the tour. The tour booklet, which includes the map of homes and gardens, will be available. The tour hours will be from noon until 5 p.m.

Science Questions **Answered Free**

Children, who are full of natural curiosity, always seem to be able to think of a question whose answer eludes even the best-prepared adult, whether a parent, teacher or other

Perhaps the adult wasn't quite sure about how a television works. Or maybe couldn't fully explain how trees and other plants can survive brutal winters, or how bridges are built over bodies of water, or why the sky is blue, or what earthworms eat, or if dinosaurs will ever reappear, or if there is life similar to Earth's on other

These questions - and hundreds of others like them - are typical of those asked by children, parents, and educators who will seeks answers from some of the federal government's pre-eminent scientists and engineers during National Science & Technology Week '97.

For the third consecutive year the National Science Foundation will operate a toll-free Ask a Scientist or Engineer Hotline on Wednesday, April 23, from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. The number to call is 1-800-682-

Maryland 500 **Bike Awareness Tour**

The College Park Area Bicycle Coalition (CPABC) is sponsoring the Ninth Annual Maryland 500 Tour on Saturday, April 26. The 25-mile ride starts at the REI store, 9801 Rhode Island Ave., College Park, and proceeds on mostly level terrain, shoulders and trails. Cyclists should gather at the starting point by 10 a.m. The event is free. For more information call Bill Kelly at 301-441-2740 or REI at 301-982-

GHI Needs A Few Good People To Run for Office

by Julie Eichorst

On May 15 and 16 Greenbelt Homes, Inc. (GHI) members will hold their Annual Meeting and Elections. Up for grabs this year will be five positions on the Board of Directors, the usual three Audit Committee positions, and five spots on the Nominations and Elections Committee.

Ever wondered who decides what a person's monthly co-op fee will be? Does the Audit Committee review the financial books of GHI? Who conducts the election process for the cooperative? The Board of Directors decides the direction for GHI. The Audit Committee has an oversight responsibility. The Nominations and Elections Committee oversees the GHI election process and is currently seeking members who might be interested in running for all offices.

Briefing

An informal briefing has been planned for Wednesday, April 30, at 7:30 p.m. in the GHI Board Room. Current and past members of the Board of Directors, the Audit and Nominations and Elections Committees will be available to provide insights into the functions of the Board and the two elected committees. This session is an excellent opportunity for people to ask questions about the duties of these positions and decide if they want to seek office.

Light refreshments will be

Grapes of Wrath Shown at PGCC

The film classic, The Grapes of Wrath, will be presented at Prince George's Community College April 22 at 7 p.m. as the last of a series on the American labor movement and how it has been presented in American cinema.

This 1940 Oscar-winning film starring Henry Fonda is based on the Depression-era story of the Joad family by John Steinbeck. It is shown in the Largo Student Center and is open to the public free of

Support Group Held For Breast-Cancer

The American Cancer Society will hold an ongoing support group for breast cancer patients at the Prince George's Hospital Center from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on April 22. For information, call 301-

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The annual Community Beautification is in its fourth week. We are presently in the Southway and Crescent Road area. If an extension of the 30 day deadline is needed a written request must be submitted to GHI, Attn: Phillip Rondeau giving the amount of time needed to complete the work required. Only two 30 day extensions will be granted, after which a GHI maintenance worker will do the work at a cost to the member. Please direct calls to

(301) 474-0292

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

GHI Board of Directors Thursday, April 24, 1997 7:30 P.M.

GHI Board Room

GHI Key Agenda Items:

- Request for Ivy Exception 17G Ridge Road
- Access Lane 29B Ridge Road
- Concrete Contract -Second Reading
- · Underground Storage Tank Contract Second Reading
- Fourth Quarter Operating Statements
- Presentation of 1996 Audited Financial Statements
- Walkway Lighting

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POLICE BUDGET

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if council could "finagle" the cadet position, perhaps part of that person's responsibilities could be working in the parks. Roberts said he would like to see someone with "some idea" of what's in the parks (such as the plant life).

Additional Officers

Five additional officers are also included in the identified unmet needs-four patrol officers (estimated cost \$222,000) plus a school resource officer for Greenbelt Middle School (\$83,000). Mayor Antoinette Bram questioned these cost estimates, since the school resource officer appears to be more expensive than the patrol

Lt. John Lann said that all four patrol officers need to be hired at once, an addition of, for example, one per year would not work. There are four patrol shifts and an additional officer is needed per shift in order to be workable. Putens and Roberts voiced support for adding four officers.

during warm weather weekends, with just one animal warden.

Lt. Daniel O'Neil said that while the warden currently works no weekends, the schedule can be varied as needed. Craze said the officer's schedule is driven by the pattern of animal control calls.

Other Issues

Mayor Bram brought up an issue first raised during last year's budget discussions. Currently, employees can make contributions, and obtain a city match, to their deferred compensation accounts based upon their total pay including overtime. If, she said, deferred compensation were paid only on base pay, it might free up enough to fund the cadet position. City Treasurer Jeffrey Williams confirmed that it is not common for employers to pay deferred compensation on anything other than base pay. However, he noted that under the ordinance prepared by former City Manager James Giese and approved by council, (Earlier, Roberts had confirmed deferred compensation is based to provide information on the difference in earnings between disabled and other retirees and the number of retirees who went out under the disability provi-

Putens also pushed granting the FOP's requests for higher night differential and on-call pay. The mayor noted that the city would like to do all those things, but the money is "not out there." Putens countered that he keeps hearing people threaten to leave town because of crime (and that some do leave). He said council needs to do something about that per-

The mayor responded that council has "certainly provided excellent public safety service to citizens." She noted that since 1983 the number of city police officers has increased from 22 or 23 to the current 48. In addition, the "lack of turnover" shows that the city has been very good with benefits.

Video Monitoring

Bram and Putens both strongly favored installing video cameras in trouble spots (such as the Spellman Overpass). The mayor said that such cameras would free up officers to other duties. Putens said he would rather pay the one time expense of the cameras than pay for 15 new officers.

While Chief Craze agreed that video cameras are useful, he pointed out that they are most effective in high crime areas, of which, he noted, "We don't have any." He also cautioned that cameras were likely to be "a speed bump situation"; once one area gets one, every other area will want one.

Roberts and Davis were less enthusiastic (White arrived late, after much of the discussion occurred.) Davis was concerned that if the city installed too many cameras, additional staff would be required to monitor them. She also suggested encouraging businesses to install their own cameras. Craze noted that cameras would not necessarily be monitored. Instead, they could be linked to a videocassette recorder, and the tape pulled and reviewed in case of an incident. He viewed video cameras not as deterrents to crime, but as investigative tools.

Davis and Roberts both were concerned about creating a false sense of security by installing cameras that no one may be monitoring. Roberts said he was "not satisfied" with the level of patrols in the city, and as a result, he was reluctant to "put a lot of resources" into cameras. He preferred to vote for four additional patrol officers, but said he would "go along with" a low cost video camera pilot program.

Other Items

Putens also pressed for bulletproof glass or other protective measures for patrol cars. Craze, while appreciating Putens' concern for the officers, had doubts about the feasibility of this proposal. The chief said that it is not offered as an option by the suppliers of police cars and, even if available, is likely to be very expensive. In addition, he noted that the vehicles themselves are not bullet proof bullets can go right through the doors and roof.

Proposed FY '98 Budget by Category (in million dollars)

		% Change fi	rom Percent of
	FY98 Proposed	FY 97 Budge	t* FY 98 Budget
General Govt.	1.194	-4.0	9.7
Planning/Devel.	0.412	2.3	3.1
Public Safety	4.916	2.5	36.5
Public Works	1.781	-1.4	14.1
Recreation/Parks	3.159	5.9	23.0
Greenbelt CARE	S 0.264	-4.4	2.2
Transfers	1.625	22.2	10.1
Other	0.344	124.9	1.2
Total	13.695	4.3	100.00

*Adjusted for change in treatment of retirement premiums.

with staff that hiring these officers would require revenues equivalent to a four cent tax increase.)

A city police officer already patrols in and around Eleanor Roosevelt High School. A similar officer for Greenbelt Middle School is requested as one of the department's unmet

Mayor Bram wanted a dialogue with county officials about security at Roosevelt before the city, without talking to the county, pays to provide a second officer at the schools.

Roberts, while agreeing that school security is a county responsibility, felt that the real beneficiaries of the school resource officer are the students, many of them from Greenbelt. Putens agreed with both Roberts and Bram, but said he was more with Roberts and Davis, who noted the county's lack of resources. Putens said he did not believe "we can now count on the county for anything." However, he said he would put higher priority on the four new patrol officers than on another school resource officer.

There appeared to be council support for the final staffing issue among the unmet needsreestablishing a supervisory position among the dispatchers (estimated cost, \$2,126).

Animal Warden

McLaughlin's budget proposes cutting the part time animal warden position that is currently vacant. Davis and Putens raised concerns about whether there would be adequate coverage, particularly

upon an employee's total pay. Councilmember Judith Davis noted that while this may not be common, it is "now normal" for Greenbelt.

Additional Benefits

There was little discussion of the items funded in the budget. Instead, most of the discussion concerned items not funded.

Putens raised the issue of several requests made by the Greenbelt Lodge of the Fraternal Order of Police (FOP). He called on council not to wait for possible federal legislation requiring governments to pay the employer share of health insurance for officers on disability retirement (As described by FOP President John Roger at a March 11 worksession, the legislation under consideration calls for governments to cover health insurance costs for officers who retired due to injuries suffered while responding to an emergency. Failure to comply would cost the city its eligibility for certain federal funds.) Currently, McLaughlin said, once an employee retires, whether on disability or standard retirement, the city does not contribute to health insurance costs.

While Putens strongly supported this request, his colleagues wanted additional information. Roberts questioned whether it would be fair to only pay for insurance for disabled retirees (Yes, said Putens.) Bram worried about the city being "saddled" with these escalating costs in the long term. Staff was directed

Children's Play At Glen Echo Park

Adventure Theater in historic Glen Echo Park will present: Raggedy Ann and Andy. Raggedy Ann comes to life with an action-packed plot and lively audience participation.

Raggedy Ann and Andy will play from April 10 through May 25, Saturdays and Sundays at 1:30 and 3:30 p.m.

There is a fee and a pre-paid group rate is available. The play is recommended for ages four and up. Reservations are strongly suggested. Fur further information or to place reservations, please all 301-320-5331.

City Notes

Demolition of the basement of the Youth Center began in preparation for reconstruction. Activities in the Youth Center may be affected. Call 301-397-2201 for information.

Landscaping work was carried out at Legion Circle, Springhill Lake, Greentree Place, the cemetery and Greenspring Park. Plugs of annual plants were transplanted in the greenhouse. Street trees were fertilized.

Traffic counters were set in several locations at the request of the Planning Department, and counts taken every morning.

Curbs and gutters were cleaned and painting of stop lines and crosswalks continued. Street cracks were repaired in "A" Block of GHI and Ridge Road.

Work continues on the new batting cage-at Braden Field. Work was done on the Little League field, the soccer fields and the Northway fields.

Normal trash and litter collection continues. The Recycling Center was cleaned every day, underpasses and bridges were checked for graffiti.

Twenty four city vehicles were serviced, two road calls were answered. Repairs to the mechanics shop were begun.

Recreation Review

Once again the Greenbelt Recreation Department is selling discount amusement park tickets, good for the 1997 season. Parks participating in the program include Adventure World, Busch Gardens, Dorney Park, Hershey Park, King's Dominion, Sesame Place, Great Adventure and Water Country USA. Tickets may be purchased at the Recreation Business Office, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. only. All sales are cash only, exact change if possible. A listing of participating parks and ticket prices is available at the Greenbelt Youth Center. Ticket sales benefit the Maryland Recreation and Parks Association.

Shutterbugs and shutterbug want-to-be's: registration is currently being accepted for Photography 2. This four-week class will explore camera lenses, filter and easy photographic effects. The class will be held on Thursdays, beginning April 24 from 7 -9 p.m. at the Youth Center. It is open for anyone aged 16 years and over. Contact the Recreation Business Office for registration information.

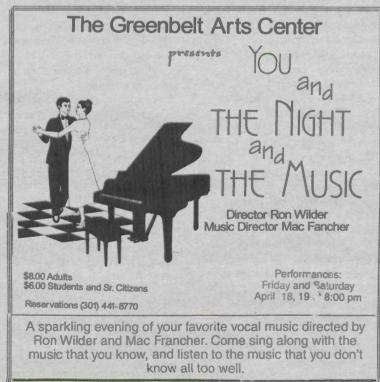




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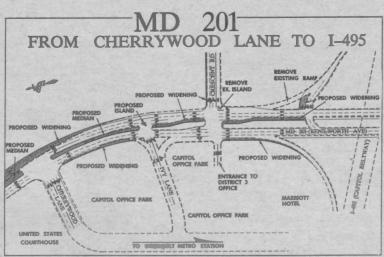
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has expressed reservations about widening Crescent Road to provide two left turn lanes, because of the impact on adjacent land that would need to be filled in.

City Solicitor Manzi noted that the agreement stipulates that if the SHA has not obtained funding for these road improvements in the 1997 State Consolidated Transportation Program (CTP) prior to approval of the first office building permit or seven months after the agreement, then the developers shall make their required payments from the \$933,000 to the city. The city would then step in to determine how the funds will be utilized and it would be responsible for

March 1992 for the applicant called for a separate left-turn lane on northbound 60th Ave. (opposite Cherrywood in Berwyn Heights).

According to the concept plan provided to the council by Watkins, the improvements to Kenilworth will consist of: (1) closing the existing right-turn ramp from the westbound Beltway onto Kenilworth and providing instead a doubleright-turn lane at the left-turn traffic signal and regulated by that signal; (2) adding a third lane along the median for northbound Kenilworth from the Beltway ramp to Cherrywood Lane to serve for backup for left-turns for Ivy and Cherrywood Lns., and pro-



This concept plan prepared by the State Highway Administration depicts improvements planned along Kenilworth Avenue and Cherrywood Lane that are proposed in the 1997 State Consolidated Transportation Program. They are needed to support the increased traffic that will be generated by the expansion of Capital Office Park and other developments.

contracting the road improvements within one year after receiving each of the payments from the owners.

\$2 Million

Manzi told the city council members at a worksession that the CTP for 1997 includes \$2 million for road improvements between the Beltway and Cherrywood Lane. The Maryland General Assembly approved this budget during the legislative session. Manzi observed, "It's good that the state will construct the project and we'll get the improvements sooner."

According to Ron Burns of SHA, half of the \$2 million earmarked for the Kenilworth Ave. improvements will be reimbursed from the fees to be paid by Capital Office Park owners. Under other requirements of the agreement and the Planning Boards conditions, which are to be finalized in an agreement between SHA and the owners in the near future, the owners will pay the SHA \$250,000 sixty days before the SHA is ready to advertise for construction bids. The remainder of the fees will be paid in two installments.

Manzi noted that the settlement agreement provides that any remaining funds after the SHA builds the Kenilworth Rd. improvements will be paid to the city to cover the cost of a traffic light needed to improve traffic flow at the intersection of Cherrywood Ln. and Ivy Ln. No plans for funding an improvement needed at Greenbelt Rd. and Cherrywood Ln. have been noted.

Traffic Study

A traffic study prepared by Gorove/Slade Associates in

viding two left-turn lanes into these streets accessing Capital Office Park, the U. S. District Court and the Greenbelt Metro Station; (3) providing a third southbound lane between Cherrywood and Ivy for traffic right-turning out of Cherrywood and into Ivy; (4) adding a second left-turn lane on westbound Crescent Rd. approaching Kenilworth; and (5) closing the entrance to the SHA District Offices and using a service road from Ivy Lane for access instead.

Free Bonsai Events At Arboretum

The National Arboretum will hold free Bonsai events in April. On April 5, 13, and 27, at the Yoshimura Center, there will be Bonsai demonstrations,

On Sunday, April 6, from 1 to 3 p.m., there will be a Bonsai Docent on duty to answer questions.

For information call the Arboretum's automated telephone system at 202-245-2726; or fax at 202-245-4575; or at http://www.ars-grin.gov/ars/beltsville/na on the Internet.

University Holds Art Exhibition

The exhibition "Hyattsville Community Artists Association: Observations from the Slow Lane" will be on view April 11 through May 11, daily from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., at the University of Maryland University College (UMUC) Gallery at the Inn and Conference Center in Collegark.

For more information, contact UMUC's Arts Program curator, Dena Crosson, at 301-985-7822.

CLARK

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it unanimously reaffirmed the lower court's ruling.

"Roger was devastated when we lost in the Circuit Court," said Skolnik. "He felt it was so wrong — that they just didn't understand the law of the land. His wife, Kate, told me he couldn't sleep. He kept asking, 'What went wrong?' It wasn't an ego thing — he just knew what the constitutional law was, and here in Prince George's County it didn't matter."

Not One of the Boys

At that time, Maryland law was archaic in some respects, and cronyism was rampant in Upper Marlboro. Roger Clark wasn't one of the good-ol'-boys but an outsider, a Washington lawyer. Some thought the fact that he was a tall, handsome man with a patrician manner might also have counted against him.

After the second defeat, the News Review case was appealed to the United States Supreme Court, which accepted it for review. Another period of frantic preparation began.

Skolnik recalled, "Our whole house was filled with volunteer stenographers and typists. It was horrible, when you think about it." She recalled that "Roger slept in our home when the Circuit Court was hearing the five-day case."

Clark won a reversal at the Supreme Court, citing case law to the effect that in libel lawsuits a public figure must prove that a publisher acted with "actual malice" in order to win a judgment.

Although he moved on to a distinguished career representing much larger and more famous clients than a small-town weekly newspaper — most notably the Washington Post during the affair of the Pentagon Papers, which led to the resignation of President Richard Nixon — Clark and the News Review did not forget each other

The paper feted him on April 19, 1972, at a dinner in his honor, when Al Skolnik said: "No eloquence could describe the excellence of the briefs he prepared and the sound understanding of constitutional law that he displayed, but what we can never forget were his efforts beyond the call of duty."

In November 1987 Clark spoke once more at the paper's 50th Anniversary dinner about the importance of a free press to the society of our nation.

Clark is survived by his wife, Kate, four children, and six grandchildren. Memorial contributions may be made in his name to Montgomery Hospice Society, 1450 Research Blvd., Suite 310, Rockville MD 20850.

Support Group Held For Heart Patients

A support group for individuals coping with heart disease is being offered by Washington Adventist Hospital. The group will meet on Thursday, April 24, at 7 p.m. For more information call Prevention & Wellness at 1-800-542-5096.





Elaine Skolnik and Roger Clark (right) at the 1987 News Review Gala celebrating 50 years of weekly publishing. Elaine's husband, Vic Nicholson, is on the left.

-photo by J. Henson, 1987

A Tribute

Not until a small newspaper has faced a libel suit, can it be fully realized what is meant by a threat to freedom of the press. Large newspapers generally have the resources to overcome substantial libel judgments and to resist the intimidation which such suits represent. Against small newspapers, libel suits carry the grim prospect of extinction and can generally be viewed as attempts to stifle the press.

This was precisely the situation in the case of the libel suit filed by developer-politician Charles S. Bresler against the Greenbelt News Review — a weekly newspaper run by dedicated volunteers with few other assets except the goodwill of the citizenry. At the time of the suit, the newspaper was publishing factual accounts of the public controversy that was being generated by his land development activities — just as he was embarking on a political campaign for State office.

At stake was not only the newspaper's freedom to report such information, but also the public's right to know, to be kept informed.

The residents of Greenbelt understood from the start what was happening. And they rallied to the newspaper's defense with a measure of financial and moral support that truly reflected the great pride they took in their rights as American citizens. Such community support made it possible for the News Review to carry on with the lawsuit and yet continue publica-

tion. Even more, it sustained us through those long, dark hours of distress and uncertainty as we waited for the final outcome.

But it is to a non-Greenbelter that we owe a special debt of gratitude — our attorney, Roger A. Clark. He and his firm -Royall, Koegel, and Wells - recognizing the compelling principle of freedom of the press involved, gave unsparingly of their time and energies to bring the case to a successful conclusion. Not only did Roger carry the case from the trial court to the U.S. Supreme Court on a volunteer basis, but his indignation at the injustices produced by the litigation gave strength to our convictions and served as a great morale booster to the News Review staff.

No eloquerice could describe the excellence of the briefs he prepared and the sound understanding of constitutional law that he displayed, but what we can never forget were his efforts beyond the call of duty. We recall especially the long hours he spent on the case late at night and on weekends — time taken from his fam-

For these sacrifices, for the understanding of his wife, Kate, for the patience of his children, for his dedication to the First Amendment, we honor Roger A. Clark on this occasion and pay him this special tribute.

Alfred M. Skolnik President, Board of Directors, Greenbelt News Review April 29, 1972

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POLICE BLOTTER

Based on Information Released by the Greenbelt Police Department

A woman walking to her car on Hanover Parkway about 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, April 9 was approached by two people who pushed her to the ground and pulled her purse from her arms. They ran to a waiting vehicle driven by a third person and left the scene heading west on Greenbelt Road. Witnesses were able to give police a description of the vehicle and a responding Greenbelt police officer stopped the car near Capitol Drive. The woman's purse and contents were recovered in the roadway on Greenbelt Road near Lakecrest Drive. The three people arrested were youths, ages 14, 16 and 17. The two younger ones were taken to Boy's Village in Cheltenham pending action by the juvenile justice system, the older one was released to a guardian pending trial.

Two Greenbelt youths, ages 11 and 12, were arrested on April 5 and charged with malicious destruction after they were seen breaking out several windows at St. Hugh's School.

Vandalisms occurred to playground equipment at Greenbelt Elementary School (reported on

Substation-East

The Greenbelt Police substation phone number is 301-474-4992. This number is for non-emergency calls only. The substation may not be staffed 24 hours per day, but there is an answering machine. Emergency police calls should be directed to the regular emergency number, 301-474-5454.

April 10) and to a residence on Westway where a sliding glass door was broken (reported on April 11).

A 41-year-old Greenbelt man was arrested at 3:45 a.m. on April 11 following a traffic stop and charged with possession of paraphernalia after a search of his car. A computer check also showed the man was driving with a suspended license and there was an open arrest warrant. He was turned over to the sheriff's department for pro-

The School Resource Officer arrested a 16-year-old Greenbelt youth for disrupting school activities on April 9. The youth, who was cutting class, was arguing with another student in the hallway at Eleanor Roosevelt about 11:15 a.m.; he then followed the other student into a classroom while class was in session and started a fight with him. The fight disrupted the class and attracted a crowd.

There were two incidents of mothers being arrested for leaving their children unattended this week. Both occurred at Beltway Plaza. On Friday, April 4, three children, ages 11, 7 and 10 months, were found in the mall waiting for their mother to come out of the movie. In the second incident, on Sunday evening a mother left her two children at Jeepers, returning for them an hour

later.

Thefts and Burglaries

On April 9 a burglary was reported about 5:45 p.m. at a residence in the 6000 block of Springhill Drive. Entry may have been gained through a bedroom window. It is unknown whether the window was forced or was unlocked. A television, compact disks and a carton of tigarettes were taken.

Two bicycles were stolen this week. A green, 26 inch, 21 speed, men's bike was taken from the Greenbelt Metro station on Saturday, April 4. A gray, Murray, 26 inch, 18 speed, mountain bike was taken on April 8 from the 7200 block of South Ora Court.

Currency and checks were taken from two medical offices in the 7300 block of Hanover Parkway on April 9; money was reported taken from a residence in the 7900 block of Mandan Road on April 10; currency was taken from a purse on the back of a customer's chair at Chevy's restaurant on April 9; an unattended purse was taken from a shopping cart at Safeway on April 4; and an unattended cellular phone was taken from the Sportzone Clothing store on April 7.

Auto Theft

Police recovered a stolen car in Greenbelt on April 7 while patrolling in the 7700 block of Hanover Parkway at 11 a.m. The unoccupied Nissan had a broken window. After a computer check showed the car was stolen, police saw a man enter the car and attempt to drive away. He was charged with theft, malicious destruction and driving without a license.

Vandalisms to and thefts from vehicles were reported in the following areas last week: 6000 block of Greenbelt Road, 9100 block of Springhill Court, 9300 block of Edmonston Road, 5900 block of Cherrywood Terrace, 9100 block of Springhill Lane, 7600 block of Hanover Parkway, 7900 block of Mandan Road, Greenbrook Drive and Ora Glen Drive.

Police to Offer Sobriety Checks

Don't Drink and Drive. Local and area police departments including Greenbelt's will be out in force during April, looking for drunk or drugged drivers. Nine police agencies will concentrate on sobriety check points, DWI saturation patrols and a public information campaign against the misuse of alcohol and other drugs while driving.

In 1995, 125 people were killed in traffic accidents in Prince George's County. Alcohol consumption contributed to one third of those deaths.

The mission of the Prince George's Highway Safety Task Force is to reduce the number of motor vehicle collisions, injuries and fatalities through education and enforcement.

Prevent Carjacking

Carjacking — stealing a car by force — has captured headlines across the country. According to the Greenbelt Police Department, one's statistical chances of being a carjacking victim are very slim, and preventive actions can reduce the risk even more.

Taking the following steps should lessen the chance of a cariacking:

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- Approach your car with key in hand.
- Look around and inside the car before getting in.
- Be wary of people asking for directions or handing out fli-
- Keep doors locked and windows rolled up (at least part way, if it's hot and you don't have air conditioning), no matter how short the distance or how safe the neighborhood.
- When coming to a stop, leave enough room to maneuver around other cars, especially if you sense trouble and may need to get away.
- Drive in the center lane to make it harder for would-be carjackers to approach the car.
- Avoid driving alone; go with someone whenever possible, especially at night.
- Don't stop to assist a stranger whose car has broken down. Instead, drive to the nearest phone and call the police for help.

A free, 12-page brochure on carjackings is available from the Greenbelt City Police Dept., 550 Crescent Road; or phone Sgt. Jim Parker at 301-507-6511.



by Linda Savaryn 301-474-5285

Our sympathy to News Review staffer Pat McCoy on the death of her sister Barbara Deleonibus.

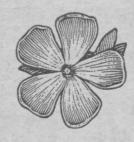
Brian Choper plays drum in the Machaya Klezmer Band, which plays Eastern European Jewish folk music. The band has performed several times in Greenbelt. They can be heard every other Sunday from 7 to 9:15 p.m. at the Chevy Chase Holiday Inn. Their next performance is April 20.

It's a boy for Donald and Ann Hoard of Greenbriar Phase III. Zachary Donald was born March 2, weighing 6 lb. 4 oz.

Daniel William Link is the latest addition to the Barry and Stacy Link family. He was born at Holy Cross Hospital on Wednesday, April 9 at 1:10 p.m., weighing in at 9 lb., 4 oz.

Daniel was welcomed home by sister Nicole, 9, and brother Joseph, 2. There is a new generation of Link brothers at 13E Ridge but Joseph and Daniel are lucky. They have a big sister to guide them.

Congratulations to Joshua Lefchick, of 21 Court Ridge Road. Josh, a student at the Corcoran School of Art, has been awarded a full travel, food, and lodging scholarship to Berlin this summer, where he and five other Corcoran students will participate in the Berlin Project. Those chosen gave evidence in their submissions of the widest range of 2D and 3D skills and also had experience with group projects, had outstanding grades and exemplary attendance. Each student accepted has received awards for outstanding studio



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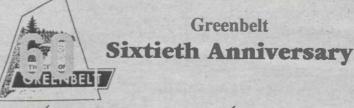
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Celebrate Earth Day Many Different Ways

Earth Day celebrations abound in Greenbelt and the surrounding areas. The city's celebration will be on Saturday. Windsor Green and Greenbelt Homes Inc. (GHI) will hold

The Greenbelt City Earth Day celebration will be from 8:30 a.m. to noon on Saturday, April 19 at "Buddy" Attick Lake Park. At 8:30 a.m. the Community Yard Sale (till 10:30 a.m.), plant sale by the Greenbelt Home and Garden Club and environmental displays and exhibits will begin. Automobile exhaust sock test and trash bash games by the Boy Scouts will be at 9:30 a.m.

The live animal show and petting corral will be at 10 a.m., and at 10:30 a.m. there will be musical entertainment. The American Rescue Workers will be on hand from 10:30 a.m. till noon to accept the kind of donations residents drop off at the monthly donation drop-

Come see the "worms eat my trash" demonstration at 11 a.m. The winners of the Earth Day poster contest will be announced at 11:30 a.m. Then there will be a tree planting ceremony with the City Council.

The Windsor Green Architectural Control Committee invites Windsor Green residents to come to the annual Earth Day clean-up. Meet on Saturday, April 19 at 10 a.m. at the Windsor Green Community Center.

GHI Clean Up Day will be on Saturday, April 26, when GHI members are asked to volunteer to clean up their courts and common areas. Call 301-345-5508 for information.

The National Wildlife Visitor Center on Patuxent Research Refuge will have an Earth Day Celebration on Sunday, April 20 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Friends of Patuxent will hold the third annual "Walk for Wildlife" to raise funds for completion of the trail system at the refuge. For information about all the activities and pledge forms, call 301-497-5560. There will also be demonstrations, hands-on projects and children's activities.

The Washington Area Bicyclist Association will host an Earth Day Bike-In on Tuesday, April 22. People will join one of 13 convoys from around the region to Freedom Plaza in Washington, D.C. Call ride leader Mary Clarke at 301-474-7280 to get information on riding from Greenbelt.

The Buy Recycled Campaign will run from April 23 through May 23. Retail chains Giant and Staples, and CVS in Greenbelt will have shelf tags and posters identifying recycled. content products.

Arboretum Presents Ikebana Arrangement

The Sogetsu School of Ikebana Flower Arrangement will present a demonstration at the National Bonsai and Penjing Museum of the National Arboretum, Saturday, April 26, from 1 - 3

Sogetsu is one of the five major styles of Japanese flower arranging and shows special regard to form, balance and harmony.

There is no charge for the program. For information, call 202-

Earth Day Bike-In 97

On Tuesday, April 22, hundreds of bicyclists will gather for a rally on Freedom Plaza (Pennsylvania Avenue and 14th Street, N.W.) from 8 - 9 a.m. To get there bicyclists will travel 14 different routes from throughout the region. Greenbelt is one of the new routes included in this event. The Greenbelt route starts at Roosevelt Center. Bicyclists will gather at 6:30 a.m. on

Environmental Group Wins Recognition

Renew America has announced that Citizens Concerned for a Cleaner County will be included in Renew America's Environmental Success Index, a one-of-a-kind database filled with successful environmental programs.

"This is a great honor," said John Neville, chairman of Citizens Concerned for a Cleaner County. "Since 1981, our organization has been providing educational and technical resources to schools, businesses, citizen organizations, and individuals to help them combat litter, promote recycling, and encourage community revitalization." Neville added, "We are a public-private partnership that works."

Citizens Concerned for a Cleaner County is the leading litter control, beautification, and recycling education and advocacy organization in Prince George's County. CCCC was established in 1981 as a nonprofit organization and works closely with the Prince George's County Department of Environmental Resources. CCCC may be reached at 301-883-6020; TDD 301-925-5167.

Garden Club Talk On Lawn Cultivation

Kevin Morris of the United States Department of Agriculture will speak on lawn cultivation at the April meeting of the Beltsville Garden Club on Wednesday, April 23.

The club meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Duckworth School at 11201 Evans Trail in Beltsville. Evans Trail is the first street to and 1:30 p.m. Warren Hill, curathe left, west of Interstate 95, tor of the National Bonsai and off Powder Mill Road. Refreshments and door prizes will follow the meeting. Admission is free and the public is invited. For more information, call 301-384-2415.

Wildlife Programs For Adults

The Patuxent Research Refuge North Tract will hold the following programs for adults in May:

'Butterfly Hike" - ages 12 and older. May 4 & 25, 8:30 - 11 a.m. Search for and learn to identify butterflies on the wing during this guided hike.

"Wildflower Walk" - ages 16 and older. May 4, 9 - 11 a.m. Search for spring wildflowers on

this guided walk.

"Bird Walk" - ages 16 and older. May 13, 7 - 9:30, May 17 & 23, 7 - 10 a.m. Bring binoculars, field guides and good walking shoes. Several miles of walk-

'Refuge Bike Tour" - ages 16 and older. May 18, 8:30 - 11 a.m. Discover how the refuge is managed for wildlife and research on this guided bicycle tour. Participants must bring their own bike. Approx. 8 miles.

"Hawk Walk" - ages 16 and older. May 18, 9:30 - 12. Search the skies for these birds of prey on this guided hike. Bring field guides and binoculars. Several miles of walking.

"Waterbird Walk" - ages 16 and older. May 31, 7 - 10 a.m. View waterfowl, herons, egrets, etc. and learn about their natural history on this guided walk. Wear

Learn more about the Patuxent Research Refuge, the Patuxent Wildlife Research Center and the National Wildlife Visitor Center on the World Wide Web. http:// www.pwrc.nbs.gov

Advance registration required for all programs. Space is limited. Programs are free. Call 1-410-674-3304, TDD 1-410-674-4625 for reservations and information. Programs held at the North Tract Visitor Contact Station, Bald Eagle Drive, Laurel, MD (off Rt. 198 between the Baltimore-Washington Parkway and Rt. 32). Please notify the Station how it can meet individual needs in making reasonable accommodations to promote and encourage participation of persons with disabilities.

Bonsai Demonstration

The National Arboretum will present a demonstration on bonsai on Saturday, April 19 at 11 a.m. Penjing Museum will give the demonstration. The program is free and open to the public. For information on this or other programs, or directions, call 202-245-

GHI CLEAN UP DAY

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Neighborhood pride in our community

April 26, 9-4

Free bags and refreshments available at Hamilton Place. For more information or to volunteer, call Julia at 345-5508

Visitor Center Needs Volunteers

The Goddard Space Flight Center Visitor Center is offering training and opportunities for earth and space science public service volunteers. Anyone who has an interest in earth and space science, enjoys working with children and the public and would like to play an important part in the space program, the Goddard Visitor Center is the place to be!

Volunteers must be U.S. citizens and at least .16 years of age. The program requires a four-hour day, one day per week, with a minimum six month commitment. With a strong public component, tenure as a volunteer at Goddard Visitor Center will be useful experience. Anyone can serve as a lobby aide, administrative or educator resource assistant, tour guide or models assistant.

The Goddard Visitor Center is an information, education, exhibits and resource center for earth science and the space science of astronomy and physics. Admission is free and the facility is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily.

For additional information on the volunteer program please contact the Operations Manager at 301-286-3978. For general program information call 301-286-

GHI Sponsors Clean up Day

Celebrate spring and the return of warm weather by joining with neighbors on Saturday, April 26 during a clean up day sponsored by Greenbelt Homes Inc. (GHI).

Throughout the day, many members of GHI have volunteered to organize and clean their courts and common areas or to join the Woodlands, Architectural, and Environment Committees in cleaning some of the wooded areas. Boy Scout Troop 746 and Cub Pack Troop 202 are also participating in the efforts.

Refreshments will be provided by Einstein Brothers Bagels and Rolling Pin Bakery, and hats by Behnke Nurseries. So grab a pair of gloves, stop by GHI and volunteer. Free bags will be available. For more information or to volunteer, call Julia at 301-345-5508.



Greenbelt is celebrating...

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SATURDAY, APRIL 19 8:30 am - 12 noon **BUDDY ATTICK PARK** 555 Crescent Rd.



8:30 Community Yard Sale-free spaces available! 9:30 Trash Bash Recycling Games 10:00 Zoo Show and Petting Corral 10:30 Donation Drop off 11:00 Worms Eat Trash Demo 11:30 City Council Free Planting

> Musical entertainment and free prize give aways all day! For more information call 474-8308

Poster Contest Judging

This event is sponsored by Giant Foods, Rotary Club, Federal Credit Union, NationsBank, Mobil Gas, PetSmart, Domino's, Old Greenbelt Theater, Jasper's and the Greenbelt Recycling Advisory Committee.

Notice of Availability of Public Records Records **Environmental Removal Action**

The Beltsville Agricultural Research Center (BARC), which is part of the Agricultural Research Service (ARS), U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA), is conducting a removal action involving the clean up of debris on portions of a 70-acre wooded area off Odell Road in Beltsville, MD. Surface debris is scattered throughout the area, with the largest concentrations located within and around an old gravel pit and alongside roads. Debris includes wood and metal scrap, decaying chicken coops, metal pails and drums. and concrete and asphalt rubble, as well as laboratory glassware and bottles. Removal activities began on March 17, 1997 and are expected to be completed by June 1997.

An Administrative Record housing documents and reports concerning the removal action is available to the public in an information repository located in Room 017, Building 003, 10300 Baltimore Ave., Beltsville, MD 20705. Public review and comments are welcome. Comments must be submitted within 30 days from the date of this announcement, and should be addressed to: Kim Kaplan. Information Staff, ARS-USDA, Room 448, 6303 Ivy Lane, Greenbelt, MD 20770; 301-344-2446. For additional information or inquiries, contact Ms. Kaplan at the preceding address and phone number.